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COMMUNISM ISN'T "POLITICS"

Several weeks ago we told you about a Pentagon order designed to muzzle certain of our military officers. The order evidently came about as the result of a report to the Defense Department from Senator Fulbright, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. Its purpose was to seal the lips of officers who are concerned about softness on communism, Red subversion and infiltration of our institutions, and socialist projects which pave the way to communism. Presumably the Pentagon gag order applied only to these officers – not to those who may be expounding publicly the philosophy of the New Frontiersmen. It is encouraging to note that a good many newspapers and magazines, somewhat belatedly, woke up to the implications of this move to gag the military. It also raised a storm in Congress, and subsequently was brought up at one of the President's press conferences.

A reporter asked President Kennedy to comment on the

argument in Congress over the proper role of military officers in educating the public on the dangers of communism. Mr. Kennedy pointed out that the military have always been kept out of politics, that he didn't even know the politics of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, that the problem is how to maintain the military's right to express what the President called their 'educated views' on some of our great problems, but at the same time keep them, as he put it, 'removed from political life.' Unfortunately, the reporter did not pursue the matter further, but Mr. Kennedy's answer is revealing. The President is absolutely correct in saying it is part of our constitutional tradition that the military be kept out of politics. But the rest of his answer seems to reveal a confusion in the President's mind – a confusion which has been the curse of our resistance to the communist menace for many years. It is the notion that the communist movement – and its conscious or unconscious allied movements – is merely a political movement and should be treated as such. But communism is in no sense a political movement. It does use political techniques where necessary, but basically the communist movement is a conspiracy pure and simple. When military officers attempt to warn the people about communist inroads, these officers are not indulging in politics as the President seemed to think. They are attempting to awaken our people to perhaps the greatest menace they have ever faced.

There are keen observers who see this latest Pentagon gag-move as part and parcel of a dangerous pattern which includes the attempted downgrading of General Edwin A. Walker. You will recall that the President acted precipitately against General Walker on trumped-up charges by a sensation-mongering news sheet published abroad for GIs. General Walker's great crime, as nearly as anybody can make out, was that he was teaching his troops in West Germany the meaning of the communist menace which they are stationed there to resist. Congressman Samuel L. Devine of Ohio, who has been trying without success to get to the bottom of the Walker case, has demanded a congressional investigation of the case. In the light of the

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latest gag order and the President's reaction to it, perhaps what we need is an investigation of all muzzling activities by the government.

NAME-CALLING

There is a strange sort of campaign going on in the 'liberal' press. Its purpose seems to be to brand as not-quite-bright, or crackpot, or warlike, anyone who speaks out in favor of purely American principles and interests. We do not know whether this is deliberate, or simply a built-in snobbery which is the hallmark of many so-called 'liberals' – a sort of egghead feeling that there is something wrong with everyone who does not agree with them. This was especially noticeable in a recent story in the New York *Times*.

You may remember that in his speech on the Berlin crisis the President said he would be glad to have suggestions from the American people on what to do. Well, he got them – by the thousands. A reporter for the New York *Times* wrote a story about these suggestions which the *Times* considered important enough for front-page space. One suggestion, from a lady in Minneapolis, was as follows, as reported by the *Times*:

'Start nuclear testing, stop talking about disarmament, keep Outer Mongolia out of the United Nations, invade Cuba, limit foreign aid to faithful allies, stop worrying about world opinion, pay more attention to the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee and...cut spending and waste.'

There are millions upon millions of Americans who would consider that statement, or certainly a good part of it, as an eminently sane and sensible suggestion for national policy. Parts of it, such as the resumption of nuclear testing, cutting

government spending and waste, limiting foreign handouts to faithful allies are advocated by many leading authorities who are experts in these subjects. But note how the New York *Times* introduced this lady's suggestion to the President. It said: 'One warlike woman from Minneapolis proposed the following.' Then came the paragraph containing her proposal quoted above. Following the quotation came another phrase saying: 'Many writers (to the President) were less belligerent.' No one, of course, likes to be called a war-monger and certainly the vast majority of Americans have no wish to go to war unless it is absolutely essential to the preservation of our freedom. But note here the sly manner of branding as 'warlike' and 'belligerent' anyone who believes, for example, that we jeopardize the defense of the United States in not testing nuclear weapons while we have no way of knowing whether or not Soviet Russia has been testing them. And no one but a befuddled 'liberal' can explain what is 'warlike' or 'belligerent' in limiting foreign handouts to nations we can count on when the chips are down. Of course the 'liberal' does not try to explain; he simply brands with unpleasant words in the hope that this will confound his opponents. But is it not an odd sort of accident that this name-calling so often parrots the same words the Kremlin boss uses to characterize everything he hates about America?

DESERVED CONGRATULATIONS

However, this practice has its bright side too, because it is another indication of the bankruptcy of the 'liberal' position. Name-calling is hardly an answer to sane argument, and it is possible the 'liberals' are getting desperate as they see more and more Americans come to realize it is the only answer the 'liberals' can come up with. We told you recently about the patriotic action of two companies in Seattle, Washington - the Republic Electric and Development Company and the Puget Sound Fabricators, Inc. They both refused to manufacture equipment for a huge plant being built in Canada, the purpose

of which is to supply Soviet Russia with a sawmill. There are no doubt soft-headed 'liberals' who, by some twisted stretch of words, would call this action too 'warlike' and 'belligerent.' But the action of Mr. Mac Hillman of Republic Electric and Development, and Mr. Gordon Anderson of Puget Sound Fabricators seems to have struck a real spark of patriotism among Americans - a spark for which they look in vain to so many of their political leaders. The willingness of Messrs. Hillman and Anderson to sacrifice a nice, fat contract in the interest of American morals, security and freedom not only was widely commented on in Congress and around the country, but it brought them thousands of letters of congratulations, which of course they richly deserve.

Foregoing items covered in Mutual Network broadcast 8/20/61

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DISCRIMINATION IN REVERSE

Editor's Note: *Some months ago (see* AF *2/24/61) we reported to you on a situation in New Rochelle, N.Y., which will affect every school district, school-age child, and his parents in the country. It arose out of an attempt to force the New Rochelle school board to 'desegregate' a school in a predominantly Negro neighborhood -in a community where actually there has never been any so-called segregation policy. Court action against the New Rochelle school board was instituted on the basis of the U.S. Supreme Court's unconstitutional ukase of 1954. The latest decision was by the U.S. Court of Appeals, from which the school board has decided to appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court. But the Appeals Court's decision was not unanimous. It was 2-1, the dissenting opinion being issued by Judge Leonard P. Moore. This dissenting opinion goes so clearly to the heart of the matter that we print excerpts from it below. All Americans interested in maintaining local control of their schools, as well as in preserving their freedom, can only hope against hope that Judge*

Moore's prophetic words will be heeded by the U.S. Supreme Court. Judge Moore said:

"I cannot agree with the opinion of the trial court or that of my colleagues. Beneath a banner emblazoned with the words 'constitutional rights' and 'segregation,' is a decision which in its far-reaching implications...may seriously affect the school systems of this country.

"Regardless of protestations to the contrary, the effect and implications of the decision are to place the operation of the schools in the country in the hands of the Federal Courts or a single judge.

"His personal views as to those pupils who should be granted or denied transfer will control; he alone will decide what racial mixtures satisfy his concept of integration. Of necessity he will have to pass upon district lines if he chooses to permit neighborhood schools to continue. His decree will cause schools to be built, altered or abandoned...

"Our future is closely linked to our educational program. But more closely connected with our heritage are such concepts as individual freedom, democratic elective processes, state's rights, equal protection of our laws for all...

"In short, I believe that the decree takes away from the people, their duly elected or appointed Boards of Education and from the states themselves their right to decide by democratic processes upon the educational policies for their communities...

"I would venture the thought that there may be many different answers and solutions, possibly many unsolvable cases and that these problems should be left to the judgment and discretion of the communities involved, provided, of course, that such judgment be exercised with discrimination in civil rights because of race, color, creed or religion.

"The 'equal protection' rights of all the other school children in New Rochelle are completely disregarded. How can a permissive transfer policy be granted only to one out of 12 districts?...

"(The order) is in derogation of the rights of the people of New Rochelle not to be subjected to discrimination because of race, color, creed, religion or national origin."

COMMUNIST PARTY OF THE U.S.A.

The Bookmailer has reissued the famous report of the Senate Internal Security Sub-Committee called THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: What It Is; How It Works – an indispensable handbook for Americans, especially students, who would understand the inside workings, organization and techniques of the internal conspiracy directed from Moscow. This is the original Committee print of 100 pages, now bound in canvas, and thus a permanent and essential addition to personal, public and school libraries. The price is $1.00.

MONUMENTAL IRRELEVANCY

"Whether we beat up Freedom Riders or not, whether we integrate or not, whether we turn the South into a bi-racial Utopia, none of this can really affect the fortune of cold war. Neither Khrushchev nor Mao will be persuaded that we should be allowed to live if harmony is established in Mississippi...If American democracy is still a matter of doubt to those millions of Asians and Africans after Hungary, the Khrushchev exposé of Stalin's crimes, the East German uprising, Poland, the suppression of freedom in Eastern Europe, Soviet interference in the Congo, Chinese border incursions against India, then let's assume that Asians and Africans,

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like everybody else, respond to emotional appeals with a fine disregard of logic and fact.

"There is a monumental irrelevancy to the theory that if Alabama sheriffs drop their master-race theories we will win allies, now fainthearted neutrals, to our side in the battle against communist imperialism. To me, this demonstrates little understanding of communism and how to win the cold war."

– *Arnold Beichman in CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR*

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